

Editorial.....

Hey Mayoites!

Assessments are going to finish and what can be a better news!

Firstly, congratulations to Rajasthan house and B.T. House for winning the Football interhouse in Seniors and Middles category respectively. It was great fun watching Mayoites play football with their heart and soul in it so their house could win!

This week was a buzzing one for Indian politics as Mr. Jaswant Singh was expelled from the Bhartiya Janata Party because of his controversial book - Jinnah: India-Partition-Independence. Things like this issue are always debatable. We all have different opinions about this sudden decision of BJP. Was it fair of BJP to expel one of their founder and senior members just because he expressed his views about the founder of Pakistan in his book? We talk about making peace between the two countries.....but did this act further disunite the two countries? If the people of India are not free to express their views then how can we boast about our lengthiest constitution which gives us the fundamental right of expression? On the other hand was it right for Mr. Jaswant Singh to give more importance to Jinnah than Gandhi or Nehru? After this expulsion, one of the BJP leaders left the party and another senior leader gave a good comment about Jinnah, opposing Gandhi and Nehru.

Well, you are invited to give your opinion by participating in this week's opinion poll. We are also very happy to announce about the release of the official blog of the Mail. Please have a look at our blog by visiting this link- <http://themayocollegemail.blogspot.com>, and do send us your feedback about our six-page issue.

Regards,

The Mayo College Mail Team

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

We all know about the hot topic - Expulsion of senior leader Mr. Jaswant Singh from Bhartiya Janata Party.

I keep thinking that did Mr. Jaitley read the book 'Jinnah India- Partition- Independence'? Or was it simply the reviews of others that led him to raise a hand in favour of Mr. Jaswant Singh's expulsion? I'm sure many of the BJP leaders must have read the book 'India: From Midnight To Millennium and Beyond' or at least know about it. It is a book by Mr. Shashi Tharoor who is also a member of the Lok Sabha. He was given a seat in the office of External Affairs Ministry by the United Progressive Alliance as a Minister of State. Did the BJP rule him out then? It was quite unfair of BJP to do this as a major opposition party in the country. This step proved that BJP is not secular.

Is this right for the largest democracy to sit and let this kind of injustice happen?

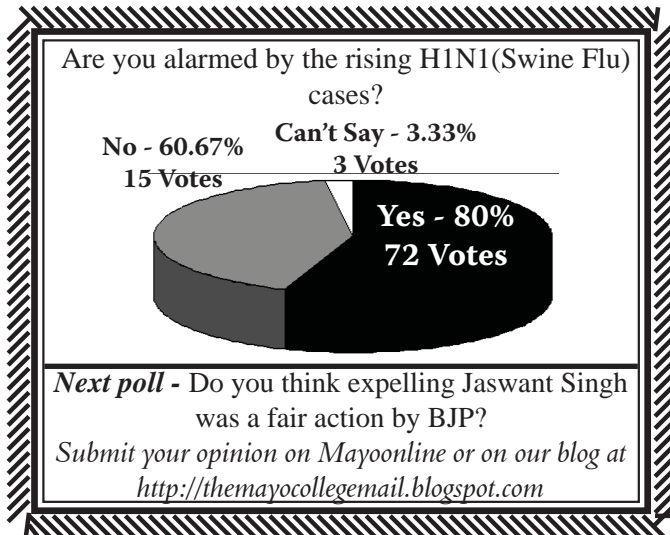
Yuvraj Saharia

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No compulsory Class X boards from next yr: CBSE

From the coming academic year (2010-11), the Class X board exams will become optional in all CBSE schools. Making Class X board exams optional was a prominent part of HRD minister Kapil Sibal's 100-day agenda for UPA 2. The sources said CBSE has prepared the format of an aptitude exam which schools can use to test Class X students on their level of understanding in each subject. The emphasis, however, will be on continuous and comprehensive evaluation (CCE) through the year instead of a single public exam at the end of Class X. Among these alternatives is the provision of an on-line, on demand test for those who don't take the board exam but want certification later on. The certificate issued after this online exam would be equivalent to the Class X certificate. This test will also help students who want to change streams in Class XI. In another major decision aimed at ensuring that schools maintain the minimum basic standards, CBSE has decided to have an independent agency for accreditation of CBSE schools. All schools under the board will have to get themselves evaluated by this agency within three years. CBSE has also planned to make Yoga compulsory from Class 6.

OPINION POLL



CURRENT NEWS

Congratulations to:

Uday Grewal - appointed as the Basketball Captain

Chetan Deo Singh - appointed as the Cricket Captain

 Check out the latest issue of Cherry Pick on the Mayo College website. This issue is a special edition on Michael Jackson.

The Mayo College Mail has now made its official blog! You can now see all the issues of the Mail here, participate in the Opinion Poll, see videos of the topics published in the Mail and much more!

Visit the blog at:

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SUN-Sign CHECK

Aquarius

Things may be a little confusing for you this week. Part of you wants to be needed and part of you wants to be left alone. It can be pretty confusing for your friends (and for you, too!).

Pisces

Try not to jump to conclusions about new friends. Your old friends may make up their minds quickly about other people, but listen to your heart and don't let them influence your decisions.

Aries

This is a high-energy week for you, which is good because you're in the middle of about a million different things! Your friends seem to be getting along pretty well and that means making plans and doing stuff with them will be a lot more fun than it has been in the past few weeks.

Taurus

You're really generous and you love doing things for your friends, which is one of the great things about you. Just keep an eye on your money so that you're not spending more than you have.

Gemini

Even friends who have been cranky are feeling much happier this week, which makes it a lot easier for you. You know people aren't happy all the time, but you hate it when they start to drag the rest of the group down with them!

Cancer

You don't like to get into arguments, but sometimes you just have to sit people down and tell them how you feel. It's tough for you to do that, but it's better than trying to hold it all in and making yourself

unhappy.

Leo

You may be feeling sort of playful this week, so give in to it. Go on an outing or just relax with friends. This is a week for being a kid and having a lot of fun.

Virgo

Things are looking really great for you this week. Your friends and teachers really appreciate your energy and positive attitude, and the way you help them get things done.

Libra

You can handle other people's emotions more than almost any other sun sign - but this week might be a challenge even for you. Just remember to stay focused.

Scorpio

You're the 'idea' person this week! Don't be surprised if people come to you asking about everything from your day to day routine to the dress you wear.

Sagittarius

You may be feeling a little frustrated at the beginning of the week, because nothing seems to be happening fast enough. It's really hard to wait sometimes. By the weekend, things should be a lot easier for you.

Capricorn

Don't be afraid to step up and volunteer to help this week. Your energy and ability to help people work together is just what your targets need, so get out there and shine!

FROM POTTER TO PAPER

VIDEO ADS TO APPEAR IN A MAGAZINE



The moving-picture newspapers out of the **Harry Potter** movies are being conjured up for real in a mid-September issue of **Entertainment Weekly** which will carry a small screen that will play **video clips** with sound.



The moving-picture newspapers out of the Harry Potter movies are being conjured up for real in the United States.

Thousands of readers in New York and Los Angeles will be able to see a video advertisement in mid-September when they leaf through the magazine Entertainment Weekly. The U.S. television network CBS Corp is paying to insert wafer-thin video screens into the entertainment publication to promote its new season of TV series launching in the autumn.

The 2.7-millimetre-thick screens have a diagonal width of 5 centimeters and mini-speakers and were developed by Los Angeles-based Americhip Inc.

They play when their page in the magazine is turned, much like greeting cards that play music when someone open them. They are to play clips of new and returning TV series and an advertisement for PepsiCo Inc, which is helping to fund the promotion.

CBS refused to say how much the campaign would cost, but a magazine industry executive familiar with the devices gave an estimate that indicated a cost of several dollars per screen, which must be manually inserted into the magazine. CBS has yet to decide how many screens would go out as a part of the promotion, saying only "thousands". Visit our blog to see the video of the issue at

<http://themayocollegemail.blogspot.com>

COMIC STRIP - BEING FIVE

BEING FIVE A BOY AND HIS BLOG



Brand Origins

The great father of blue jeans, Levi Strauss was a German-born American entrepreneur, Jewish by birth. Loeb Strauss (he liked the name "Levi Strauss") was born in Buttenheim in Franconia, Bavaria in 1829. The 18-year-old German immigrant left for New York City together with his family in 1847. There he worked hard with his older brothers Jonas and Louis Loeb in their family dry goods business called "J. Strauss Brothers & Co". In 1853, Strauss went to sensational San Francisco looking for his fortune and big money. It was the high peak of the California Gold Rush that started in 1848. Most of the risky prospectors of gold mining in northern California became bankrupts and only few of them were lucky to grow rich. Levi Strauss became famous and wealthy. He was one of the wise moneymakers who provided goods and services to the miners of California. Firstly he initiated a dry goods wholesale house under his own name. "Levi Strauss & Co" used to import different dry goods – clothes, handkerchieves, rolls of fabric and so on. The story of the blue jeans goes that both prospectors and miners were often complaining about the easily torn cotton trousers and pockets, that's why the practical Levi decided to make solid overall pants for the miners and other workers to wear. Levi Strauss was sure that his "waist overalls" (the old name for jeans) would become very popular with miners, ranchers and farmers for their close-to-the-ground line of work. Strauss opened a "wonderful pants of Levi's" factory in San Francisco. These hard-wearing overalls were fashioned by Levi from a sturdy fabric called serge, made in Nimes, France. Originally called serge de Nimes, the fabric later became known as 'denim'. On May 20, 1873, Strauss and Jacob Davis received US patent no. 139121 for the riveting process to strengthen the pockets of denim work pants. This date is now considered the official birthday of "blue jeans." And in 2003 "Levi Strauss & Co" celebrated the 130 anniversary of the invention of "blue jeans" by Levi Strauss and Jacob Davis. Levi's Denim Blue Jeans are a world-recognizable trademark and best-known emblem of the American Western lifestyle due to the high quality production and grand name of the overalls inventor. Today the legendary company Levi Strauss founded remains one of the nation's leading apparel manufacturers.

! HOWLERS !

"I am wanting to outing"

"The exchange student is very cooling"

"I met him at the Delhi"

"Have you been polished your shoes?"

"I hope I get sophisticated marks in assessment"

"Did you heard about the Flu of Swines?"

"Sir, please helping me in this"

"CCD is not goodness like Barista"

"The Maths is all about the scale and the pen"

Heard somebody speaking very weird English?

Send us the howlers at editor@mayocollege.com

PSP go

Form factor: The PSP Go has a 3.8-inch wide screen. It's said to be 43 percent lighter than the PSP 3000.

Storage: The Go will offer 16GB of built-in flash memory, and it's expandable via a Memory Stick Micro (M2) slot.

Wireless: In addition to Wi-Fi support, the PSP Go adds Bluetooth capability to the Sony handheld platform for the first time.

Games: At Sony's press conference, the company announced the release of PSP Go games like Little Big Planet, Gran Turismo, Metal Gear Solid Peace Walker, MotorStorm Arctic Edge, and SOCOM Fire Team Bravo 3.

Digital media support: The Go boasts the same support for music, video, and photo files as earlier PSPs, so you should have no trouble transferring gigabytes of media from a PC (or via the M2 flash media card). Downloadable movies and TV shows can be purchased directly from the PlayStation Store over Wi-Fi.

Price: Rs. 12,108.80



CELEB BLOGGERS

*Here is a list of some of the top celebrity bloggers.
Do not forget to visit the blog of your favourite one!*

Aamir Khan - Aamir Khan has his own website which has two parts: blog and chat. You can see his blog any-time. He is very regular about writing his blog. Chat is a great option. If he is online you can chat with him personally. But it is not guaranteed that your chance will come among the thousands of fan also chatting with him!
Link: www.aamirkhan.com/blog

Shahrukh Khan - He is not very regular at his blog. His blog is a microsite in the official website of KKR team.
Link: <http://www.kkr.in/teamblogs.aspx>

Amitabh Bachchan - He writes very regularly even when he is on a holiday. He writes big posts describing about the minutest things.
Link: <http://bigb.bigadda.com/>

Karan Johar - He is also a regular blogger who writes big posts. It is interesting to read about his life as he is a person with varied interests!
Link: <http://www.mynamiskaran.com/>

Akshay Kumar - He is a frequent blogger. He just writes about his professional life and does not usually talk about his family.
Link: <http://akshay.bigadda.com/>



Santa was busy removing a wheel from an auto-rickshaw.

Banta asks: Why are you removing that wheel from your auto?

Santa replies: Can't you read that board which says 'Parking for two-wheelers only'.

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Santa Patient: Doctor, who will you give this garland to?
Doctor Banta: This would be my first operation, if it is a success then the garland is for me, otherwise for you!

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Santa: Hey Banta! Let's play chess!

Banta: Sure...I'll just wear my sports shoes and come.

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Santa Tourist: Whose skeleton is that?

Banta Guide: (Not sure) It's Tipu's skeleton

Santa Tourist: Then whose skeleton is the small one next to it?

Banta Guide: (Thinks for a moment and says) This is Tipu's skeleton of the time when he was a child.

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Send your own "Santa-Bantas" to us at
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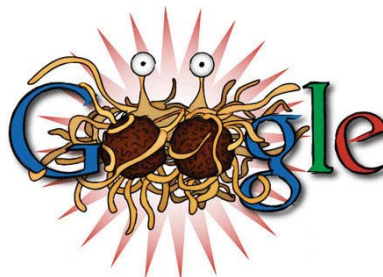
Jokes by:
Yuvraj Saharia



Are You Artistic? Then Do It With DOODLE 4 GOOGLE

All of us have seen Doodles on Google which denote various festivals and birth-days of great people. Don't know what is a Doodle? Then see the example Doodle on the right side.

For budding young artists in India, Google India is hosting a competition called "Doodle 4 Google". To participate, just open this website <http://www.google.co.in/doodle4google>, read the instructions and register. You can then start off with making/designing your own



Doodle. The topic for this competition is 'My India'. So your Doodle should depict anything that's related to India. This competition is exclusively for Classes-1 to 10 divided in three level groups. Want to know the prize? If you are among the selected 'Doodlers' than your Doodle would be displayed on the Google India

homepage and you will also be given a Laptop from Google!

Any queries? Ask us at editor@mayocollege.com

IN THE PICS

Believe in each other.
Exchange silly stories.
Share favorite clothes.
Tell it like it is.
Find the answers.
Rely on each other.
Inspire bravery.
Encourage dreams.
Never stop caring.
Devise crazy schemes.
Stand by each other.



ILLUSION



NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

Stern Men - Elizabeth Gilbert

A Better India I Better World - N.R. Narayan Murthy

The Horse Boy: A Father's Miraculous Journey To Heal His Son - Rupert Isaacson

Homecoming - Bernhard Schlink

First Family - David Baldacci

Gone Tomorrow - Lee Child

SIZZLING FACTS

You can't kill yourself by holding your breath

It's against the law to have a pet dog in Iceland!

One quarter of the bones in your body, are in your feet!

Women blink nearly twice as much as men.

Turtles can't jump...and so can't snails!

Flickr hosts some 3 billion photographs, FaceBook hosts more than 10 billion.

Summer on Uranus lasts for 21 years - and so does winter.

The Sahara desert expands at about 1km per month.

Earth is slowing down - in a few million years there won't be a leap year.

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